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**GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. 14, 2010**

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE FEE FOR RETURNED CHECKS RECEIVED BY THE CITY OF TERRE HAUTE.

WHEREAS, the City receives insufficient fund checks for payments made to various offices of the City; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that there is a cost to the City of Terre Haute, Indiana, to try to collect the monies owed for the insufficient fund checks; and

WHEREAS, the City of Terre Haute implemented the fee of \$15.00 for insufficient fund checks by Special Ordinance No. 45, 1993, passed on July 8, 1993, and the City has not increased said fee since that date; and

WHEREAS, the City's costs associated with collection of these insufficient funds has risen and it is necessary to increase this fee to recover the City's expenses; and

SECTION 1. The *Terre Haute City Code*, Chapter 4, Section 4-72 is hereby amended by deleting the stricken text and inserting the underlined text as follows:

**Sec. 4-72 Charge for Presentment of a Returned Check or Draft**

The City Controller's Office is authorized to accept fees for service charges in the amount of ~~Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00)~~ Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for insufficient fund checks received by the City of Terre Haute, Indiana. (Spec. Ord. No. 45, 1993, § 1, 7-8-93)

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

WHEREAS, an emergency exists for the immediate taking effect of the Ordinance, the same shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council of Terre Haute, Indiana and its approval by the Mayor and publication as required by law.

Introduced by: \_\_\_\_\_ George Azar, Councilman

Passed in open Council this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

\_\_\_\_\_ Neil Garrison, President

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk

Presented by me to the Mayor this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

\_\_\_\_\_ Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk

Approved by me, the Mayor, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

\_\_\_\_\_ Duke A. Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ Charles P. Hanley, City Clerk